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## INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 802

**TO:** Iowa Medicaid Pharmacy Providers  
**FROM:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise  
**DATE:** May 28, 2009  
**SUBJECT:** Pharmacy Billing for Pharmaceutical Case Management (PCM) Services  
**EFFECTIVE:** **May 1, 2009**

The purpose of this informational letter is to update pharmacists on new billing codes for Pharmaceutical Case Management (PCM) services rendered to Iowa Medicaid members. When this program was originally implemented, pharmacists were instructed to use the following "W" codes: *W4100, W4200, W4300, W4400*.

**Background:** the Iowa Medicaid Pharmaceutical Case Management (PCM) program benefits a subset of Medicaid eligible patients at very high risk of experiencing adverse effects from their medications. PCM provides an opportunity for physicians and pharmacists to closely manage the total medication regimens of these patients with complex pharmaceutical needs. If you have any questions about this program, becoming a PCM provider or determining patient eligibility, please contact Linda Pierick at 725-1340 (calling from the Des Moines metro area) or 1-800-383-1173.

However, since these "W" codes are not HIPAA-compliant, nor subject to CMS exemptions allowing their continued use, they have been replaced with the following HIPAA-compliant "CPT" codes, the fees for which are also indicated:

- **99605 - Medication therapy management service(s) provided by a pharmacist, individual face-to-face with patient, with assessment and intervention if provided; initial 15 minutes, new patient. (\$45.00)**
- **99606 - initial 15 minutes, established patient. (\$20.00)**
- **99607 - each additional 15 minutes (to be listed separately in addition to code for primary service). (\$10.00)**

For the purpose of rendering PCM services to Iowa Medicaid members, pharmacists should **immediately** begin using CPT codes 99605 – 99607, as follows:

	Reimbursement Maximum	Maximum Number of Payments	Bill CPT Code(s)	Units
Initial Assessment	\$75	One Initial Assessment/Patient	99605 + 99607	1 1, 2 or 3
Problem Follow- Up	\$40	Four Problem Follow- Up/Patient every 12 months	99606 + 99607	1 1 or 2
New Problem	\$40	Two New Problem/Patient every 12 months	99606 + 99607	1 1 or 2
Preventative Follow-Up	\$30	One Preventative Follow- Up/ patient every 6 months	99606 + 99607	1 1

These new CPT codes have been made effective for dates of service back to January 1, 2008 going forward. Please note the old “W” codes will be end-dated effective May 31, 2009. However, providers are strongly encouraged to discontinue use of the W codes immediately.

The IME appreciates your partnership as we work together to serve the needs of Iowa Medicaid members within federal requirements. If you have any questions, please contact IME Provider Services at 1-800-338-7909, locally (in Des Moines) at 515-725-1004 or by e-mail at [imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us).